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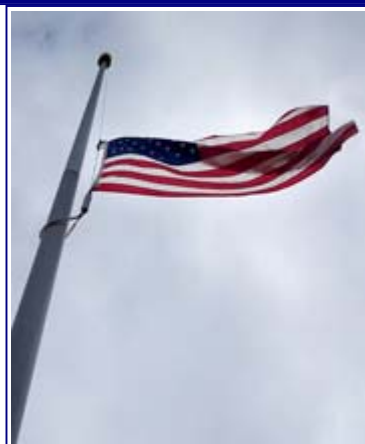
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Flags at Half-Staff

All campus flags have been lowered to half-staff in honor of Master Sgt. Thomas L. Bruner of Owensboro who died Oct. 28 in Kabul, Afghanistan from a non-combat related illness. He was assigned to the Headquarters, 2nd Brigade, 100th Division, U.S. Army Reserve, Owensboro.

Flags are to remain at half-staff until sunset on the day of Sgt. Bruner's funeral, which has not yet been determined.



Change Your Clock Change Your Battery

Sunday, November 4, is the time to move your clocks back one hour.

This year, Americans are urged to change the batteries on their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors at the same time.



Change Your Clock Change Your Battery is a national home fire safety program sponsored by *Energizer* batteries and the International Association of Fire Chiefs, with more than 5,900 fire departments participating nationwide. This program is now in its 20th year.

If you would like to implement the *Change Your Clock Change Your Battery* program in your local community and building awareness click on the download image below to access the electronic version of this year's *Change Your Clock Change Your Battery* Guidelines Kit.

If you have any trouble or special needs, please call the *Change Your Clock Change Your Battery* Hotline at 314-995-3939, ext. 104.

[2007 Program Guideline Kit](#)

Come Select Your Angel

The Angels are here.

William's Toys, the KCTCS System Office holiday event, is officially underway. Debbie Tichenor and Danah Easton are ready to help staff members adopt angels. In addition, arrangements are underway for the day when the families come to pick up their gifts.

Here are a few reminders:

- The Angels (children of students enrolled in Ready-to-Work at

Bluegrass Community and Technical College) have arrived. This year 92 Angels are on the list.

- It is very important to label all of your purchases with the yellow dots you receive with your Angel.

There is a \$50 spending limit. If you find yourself out of control, please consider taking another Angel.



Important Dates:

- November 13 and 14: the Annual William's Toys Web Based Auction. [Look for more information from Kim Hayden.]
- November 20: Annual Baked Goods Auction will be held following the Thanksgiving Forum. Make plans now to bring a dessert to auction and money to spend on desserts to take home.
- November 30: Toys and gifts are due back to Debbie Tichenor and Danah Easton.
- December 10: families will be at the System Office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to pick up their gifts. Volunteers are needed to help wrap presents, serve lunch, load cars, etc.

To read a history of William Tichenor and this special way we celebrate his life, [click here](#). Thanks in advance for making William's Toys a highlight of our System Office season.

ALERT: I-64 Twin Bridges

The I-64 twin bridges crossing the Kentucky River in Franklin County will undergo repairs beginning November 5. Motorists may want to find alternate routes or adjust their plans during peak travel times.

The project will involve the replacement of expansion joints at the east end of the two bridges. These joints provide for the expansion and contraction of the bridge where the deck and roadway meet.

As part of the project, one lane of traffic will be closed; however, to limit the impact on travelers, the contractor, Faulkner Construction LLC, will be required to complete the project as quickly as possible. The project must be completed by December 15. The first phase of work will begin at 12:00 noon on November 5 when the right lane of eastbound I-64 will be closed. Once the eastbound construction is completed, the contractor will move to the westbound lanes.

The average daily traffic count along this portion of I-64 is 41,400 vehicles; 19% of which is truck traffic. Vehicles wider than 12 feet will be required to detour during the project. The official detour route follows US-60 at exit 56, to KY-676 (the East-West Connector), to US-127, to the on-ramp of I-64 at exit 53 (and vice-versa).

Days when lane closures are not allowed include:

I-64 Eastbound: 12:00 p.m. Sunday until 12:00 p.m. Monday each week; 6:00 a.m. Friday until 6:00 a.m. Saturday each week November 22 through November 25

I-64 Westbound: 12:00 p.m. Friday until 6:00 a.m. Saturday each week November 22 through November 25



Switzer Covered Bridge, photo by Gene Burch

Nominations Due: System Office Employee

Nominations are now being accepted for the **2008 System Office New Horizons Staff Excellence Award**. The deadline is 12 Noon, November 6.

The award recognizes meritorious achievement by a Systems Office staff member and provides an opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding accomplishments of KCTCS Systems Office staff during the previous year.



Nominations will be assessed on the **significance** and **innovativeness** of the employee's contribution, as well as the relationship of the accomplishment to achieving one or more of the **KCTCS Strategic Goals** and overall fit of the contribution with **KCTCS Values**.

Use the **attached form** to submit your nominations. All nomination materials must be received by noon on **November 6, 2007**. Materials will be reviewed in early November.

The award will be presented at the New Horizons Teaching and Learning Conference in May.

Congratulations on a GREAT United Way

Congratulations to Dr. Gloria McCall and her KCTCS/United Way team. The United Way of the Bluegrass Campaign pledges and donations for the last two years have surpassed all expectations.

This year, 126 employees donated to the United Way collecting **\$17,492.96** in pledges, cash, checks, and credit cards; plus an additional **\$3,960** in-kind donations.



A Grand Total of **\$21,452.96** was realized for this initiative.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this success.

William's Auction

Don't forget to bring in your items for the on-line auction to support William's Toys that is scheduled for November 13 and 14.

You can help William's Toys in a variety of ways:

- Donate items for the auction.
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Provide baked goods for the bake sale held during the auction.

- Sponsor an Angel, and/or
- Donate baked goods for the Thanksgiving Forum.



What a wonderful way to spread the holiday spirit! We would like to have all auction items in no later than **Friday, November 9**. If you have any questions about the auction, please contact Kim Haydon.

All auction items must be turned in by Friday November 9. The auction will begin at 9:00 a.m. November 13 and end at 4:00 p.m. November 14.

Dollars and Sense for Women

Many women say they need help with budgeting and understanding their finances. In response, the Bluegrass Alliance for Women and the Anderson County Extension Service are co-sponsoring workshop a called *Dollars and Sense for Women*. The workshop will be held on Tuesday, November 13, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.



in the Extension Meeting Room at the Anderson County Extension Service Building, 1026 County Park Road in Lawrenceburg.

The workshop will cover budget basics, how to set priorities for credit and debt management, and how to keep track of important papers and records. This *Dollars and Sense for Women* workshop will be taught by County Extension Agent Debra Parrish. Handouts will be provided to help participants with budgeting, planning and record keeping. Snacks will be provided, and there will be door prizes.

Dollars and Sense for Women programs are open to all women at no charge. Those planning to attend are asked to pre-register by providing name and contact information to the Cooperative Extension Service at (502) 839-7271 by the Thursday, November 8. Sign in begins at 6:15 p.m. and the class begins at 6:30 p.m.

For Your Well Being

It happens to the best of us. You are traveling to one of the KCTCS colleges and suddenly you experience a flat tire or other mechanical difficulty. Don't panic. Call the SAFE Patrol.

Put this number in your cell phone: 1-877-FOR-KYTC or (1-877-367-5982).

This number will put you immediately in contact with the SAFE Patrol.

SAFE Patrol operators drive an assigned route of Kentucky's interstates and/or parkways. They assist motorists by providing gasoline and oil for those in need, add air to tires or change flat tires, provide a "jump" for dead batteries, and other minor automotive repairs.



Mark Stapleton, Director of Transportation Security, standing in front of one of the new and improved vehicles

Operators also work to prevent traffic crashes by removing debris from the roadway and tagging abandoned vehicles. At the scene of a crash, drivers are trained in incident management and can render CPR and first aid, if necessary.

The message board on the top of the vehicle provides additional safety by allowing the operator to furnish motorist direction and written instructions as to where to proceed during an incident.

The patrol is being expanded to 27 vehicles with 36 operators and a virtually statewide mandate. The patrol covers all of Kentucky's nine parkways and five interstates, along with heavily traveled Kentucky 80 and U.S. 23 in eastern Kentucky.

Did You Know

Nov. 3, 1992

Carol Moseley-Braun became the first black woman elected to the U.S. Senate.

Nov. 4, 1842

Abraham Lincoln married Mary Todd in Springfield, Ill.

Nov. 5, 1872

Susan B. Anthony was fined \$100 for trying to vote in the presidential election (she was trying to vote for President Grant).

Nov. 6, 1913

Mohandas Gandhi led a march of miners in South Africa. He was arrested three times in the first four days of the march.

Nov. 7, 1874

The Republican Party was first symbolized as an elephant in a cartoon drawn by Thomas Nast in *Harper's Weekly* magazine.

Nov. 8, 1966

Edward W. Brooke of Massachusetts became the first African American to be elected to the U.S. Senate since Reconstruction.

Nov. 9, 1989

Borders between East and West Germany were opened and the Berlin Wall began to be dismantled the next day.



Carol Moseley-Braun

Happy Birthday

Five KCTCS System Office employees celebrate birthdays this week. They are:

Nov. 4: Jane Nenninger, Treasury
Nov. 5: Michael Stapleton,
Technology Solutions
Nov. 6: Jim Phillips, Technology
Solutions
Nov. 7: Becky Blair, Fire
Commission
Nov. 7: Mary Ida Gray, Human
Resources



This Week's Meeting Schedule

The following meetings are scheduled in the System Office through November 9.

Monday, Nov. 5: Room 102 A - Education Technology Solutions Workgroup
Monday, Nov. 5: Room 111 - Kentucky Fire Commission
Monday, Nov. 5: Room 112 - Senate Debriefing
Monday, Nov. 5: Room 113 - Intellectual Property Committee

Tuesday, Nov. 6: Room 111 - Program RAMP
Tuesday, Nov. 6: Room 112 - JCTC/Legal Meeting
Tuesday, Nov. 6: Room 113 - Accountability RAMP Team

Wednesday, Nov. 7: Room 112 & 113 - Annual Nurse Aide Coordinators
Conference
Wednesday, Nov. 7: Room 113 - KBEMS Medical Oversight Meeting

Thursday, Nov. 8: Room 102 B - KBEMS Committee and Board
Thursday, Nov. 8: Room 111 - Strategic Workforce Competitiveness Process
roll Out Schedule/Project Kick Off
Thursday, Nov. 8: Room 112 - MNA/NAA RFP Curriculum Meeting

Friday, Nov. 9: Room 102 A & B - ESL for the Workplace "Toilets, Tile and
Teaching"
Friday, Nov. 9: Room 112 and 113 - KCTCS Deans' Fall Meeting

UKFCU- Receive up to \$50 cash!

The University of Kentucky Federal Credit Union wants your checking account... and we'll prove it! Bring us your old checks and we'll put \$25 in your account, and your first box of checks is free.* Sign up for direct deposit and e-statements and we'll give you another \$25.



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*Offer good November 1, 2007 through November 31, 2007. Must meet

eligibility requirements. Restrictions may apply. See a representative for details.

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Please call if you have questions.

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